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VALLEY NEWS

Religion Notes

**PURIM BALL:** A Purim Ball, featuring the music of Jimmy Gannell and Michael Roth, dancing, a kosher buffet and a costume contest, will be held at 8 tonight at the Valley Cities Jewish Community Center, 13104 Burbank Blvd., Sherman Oaks. The cost is \$36. Information: (818) 796-6310.

**FESTIVAL:** The Festival of Colors will be celebrated from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Sunday at the Valley Hindu Temple, 15700 Rescoe Blvd., Northridge. Free. Information: (818) 772-7735.

**PURIM CARNIVALS:** Purim carnivals will be held at 10:30 a.m. Sunday at Temple Alayah, 6025 Valley Circle Blvd., Woodland Hills, and from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday at Temple B'nai Hayim, 4302 Van Nuys Blvd., Sherman Oaks. The carnivals will offer rides, games, cultural holiday foods and silent auctions. Admission is free. Information for Temple Alayah: (818) 340-3545. Information for Temple B'nai Hayim: (818) 788-4000.

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**POWER LECTURE:** The Rev. James Bodman will present a lecture on power in the congregation and how it can best be used at 10:45 a.m. Sunday at the Sepulveda Unitarian-Universalist Society, 9550 Hasdelk Ave., North Hills. Free. Information: (818) 894-9251.

**MESILAH READINGS:** Three Valley temples will present fun-filled reenactments of the Purim story at Megillah readings Monday. One begins at 7 p.m. at Valley Beth Shalom, 15720 Ventura Blvd., Tempe, 15720 Ventura Blvd., Tempe. The cost is \$3 per person or \$10 per family. Information: (818) 991-0901.

**FOUR FAITHS DISCUSSED:** An interfaith discussion, "What There Is in My Religious Teaching Which Keeps Me Practicing My Faith, Part 1," sponsored by the Valley Interfaith Council, will be held at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 3338 White Oak Ave., Encino. The four faiths represented will be the

Temple Beth Hillel: (818) 763-5145.

**JOURNEY TO SHUSHAN:** Chabad of the Conejo will host a family festival celebrating Purim at 7 p.m. Monday in the Grand Ballroom of the Hyatt Westlake Plaza, 980 S. Westlake Blvd., Westlake Village. The festival will include Megillah readings, a walking tour titled "Journey to Shushan," and a show, "The Egalitarian Marvel." Children are encouraged to dress in costume for a masquerade contest, and a notecatcher will be provided for each child. The cost is \$3 per person or \$10 per family. Information: (818) 991-0901.

**WELCOME HOME CATHOLICS:** A "Welcome Home" workshop for inactive Catholics will be held from 7:30 to 9 p.m. Thursday at Immaculate Catholic Church Parish Center, 1901 N. Brand Blvd., San Fernando. Free. Information: (818) 242-2579.

Roman Catholic, the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Hindu and the African Methodist Episcopal. Free. Information: (818) 718-6460. Ext. 3001.

**LUNCHEON:** The Catholic Community Luncheon will be held at noon Wednesday at the Beverly Garland Holiday Inn, 4222 Vineland Ave., North Hollywood. Fellowship will begin at 11:30 a.m. The \$14 cost includes a buffet lunch. Information and reservations: (818) 846-3271.

**NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:** News and announcements for this column can be sent to Religion Desk, Los Angeles Times, 20000 Paseo St., Chatsworth 91311.

—Penella Design Carr

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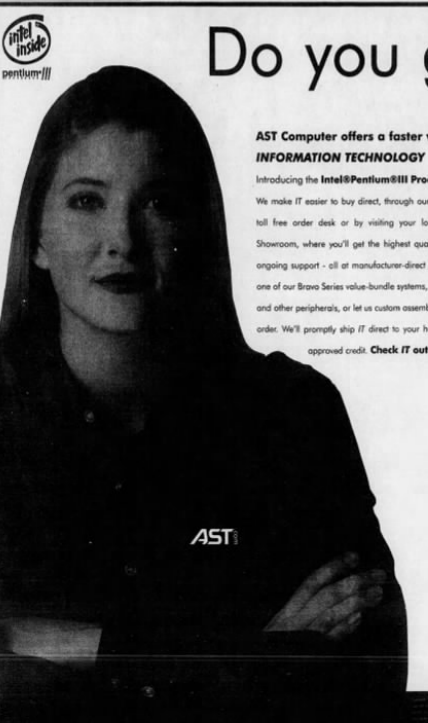
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